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Subject: Re: AFN Financial Woes

Thanks for this update Rhonda. I intend to mostly listen tomorrow during AFN's board mtg... some of us will be calling in to participate since their invitation was last minute and most of us can't be in Anchorage for tomorrow's mtg. Sounds like Julie Kitka wants to hear our legislative priorities tomorrow, though I'm sure she heard the State of State.

Very interesting the changes AFN may be forced to undertake soon. Sounds like some of the Native Corp leadership changes that we hear rumored about also. Thank you

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Also, AFN dues, paid by the regional Native Corporations, have not changed much over the years to reflect the growing expenses.

AFN will ask Native Corporations to increase their dues. And while they may do so, it□s not likely they will bail out the organization completely.

AFN is definitely in a tight spot.

Irwin says Native Corporations are now feeling their might □ enjoying unprecedented growth and many don□t feel that AFN is needed as it once was. He put it this way, □The children are turning their parents out in the cold.□

In talking with others who follow Native politics□

This financial crisis has precipitated a leadership tussle□ a push to get longtime AFN President Julie Kitka to step aside.

AFN under Kitka□s leadership, has done a virtuoso job of forwarding the Native agenda. It remains to be seen if she□ll weather this.

Senator Albert Kookesh□s office has been quiet about AFN□s finances. Kookesh is co-chair of AFN, along with Tim Towarak, who once held the Rural Advisor position in the Knowles administration.

We may know more about what direction AFN□s leadership takes, after AFN□s board meeting tomorrow (Thursday).

AFN has invited the Governor, Commissioner Emil Notti, Frank Bailey and me to attend □ in person or via teleconference.

So what□s the administration□s role in this? Not much right now, except to recognize that AFN is struggling, to stay tuned in and supportive.

For the state, a weakened AFN does not bode well.

Although AFN has sometimes clashed with the state on issues like subsistence, AFN, in its forty years, has done much to bring about consensus in Rural Alaska and furthered many good causes.

The only other statewide Native organization, the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, has not had AFN□s resources, nor its success. It has also had a more adversarial relationship with the state.

In recent years, AFN has been working hard with the state and federal government to promote economic development in villages.

By bringing in the World Bank and the Alaska Marketplace Program, AFN has done some good work. There is more awareness now about the basic financial infrastructure lacking in Rural Alaska.

As this administration attempts to strengthen public safety in Rural Alaska, combat sexual abuse, promote healthy lifestyles, deal with climate change and lower the cost of energy, it will need many partners, as well as AFN□s expertise and support.

I will attempt to attend the AFN board meeting via telephone.

It would be great if Commissioner Emil Notti could be there in person. When Emil ran AFN in its early days, he worked out of a small BIA office with a phone and typewriter. He would be a great resource for AFN during this time of restructuring.

He knows the organization as an insider and as a founding father.

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He called us too I just found out! So you're not in trouble for any leaks.

Janice and others even worked on this for a second.

Funny

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Sorry ;)

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Cc:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

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NOOOOOOOO!!! Resist the urge!!

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Subject: Casey

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Also, AFN dues, paid by the regional Native Corporations, have not changed much over the years to reflect the growing expenses.

AFN will ask Native Corporations to increase their dues. And while they may do so, it□s not likely they will bail out the organization completely.

AFN is definitely in a tight spot.

Irwin says Native Corporations are now feeling their might □ enjoying unprecedented growth and many don□t feel that AFN is needed as it once was. He put it this way, □The children are turning their parents out in the cold.□

In talking with others who follow Native politics□

This financial crisis has precipitated a leadership tussle□ a push to get longtime AFN President Julie Kitka to step aside.

AFN under Kitka□s leadership, has done a virtuoso job of forwarding the Native agenda. It remains to be seen if she□ll weather this.

Senator Albert Kookesh□s office has been quiet about AFN□s finances. Kookesh is co-chair of AFN, along with Tim Towarak, who once held the Rural Advisor position in the Knowles administration.

We may know more about what direction AFN□s leadership takes, after AFN□s board meeting tomorrow (Thursday).

AFN has invited the Governor, Commissioner Emil Notti, Frank Bailey and me to attend □ in person or via teleconference.

So what□s the administration□s role in this? Not much right now, except to recognize that AFN is struggling, to stay tuned in and supportive.

For the state, a weakened AFN does not bode well.

Although AFN has sometimes clashed with the state on issues like subsistence, AFN, in its forty years, has done much to bring about consensus in Rural Alaska and furthered many good causes.

The only other statewide Native organization, the Alaska Inter-Tribal Council, has not had AFN□s resources, nor its success. It has also had a more adversarial relationship with the state.

In recent years, AFN has been working hard with the state and federal government to promote economic development in villages.

By bringing in the World Bank and the Alaska Marketplace Program, AFN has done some good work. There is more awareness now about the basic financial infrastructure lacking in Rural Alaska.

As this administration attempts to strengthen public safety in Rural Alaska, combat sexual abuse, promote healthy lifestyles, deal with climate change and lower the cost of energy, it will need many partners, as well as AFN□s expertise and support.

I will attempt to attend the AFN board meeting via telephone.

It would be great if Commissioner Emil Notti could be there in person. When Emil ran AFN in its early days, he worked out of a small BIA office with a phone and typewriter. He would be a great resource for AFN during this time of restructuring.

He knows the organization as an insider and as a founding father.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 1:53 PM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: FW: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:02 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Konstantin Vulkov

address: 82, Dondukov blvd. Floor 4 Sofia OS 1504

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MESSAGE:

Dear Governor,

My name is Konstantin Vulkov and I am Program Director of the biggest and most listened to Bulgarian private radio station, Darik Radio.

Darik is a news/current affairs/talk station, based in Bulgaria's capital Sofia with 17 regional offices accross the country.

I would like to make a phone interview with you for the Bulgarian Darik Radio. I am especially interested by your anti-corruption drives as corruption is the biggest problem in Bulgaria.

Could you please advice whether this is possible and how can I send some more information regarding my request.

Many thanks in advance.

Warmest regards,

Konstantin Vulkov

Program Director

Darik Radio

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From: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 1:00 PM
To: John Katz
Subject: Fw: this weekend...

Fyi. We're hooking up with mcCain at NGA to speak on Ak issues.

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Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 20:59:19

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To: McBride; Rhonda (GOV)
Subject: Fw: Dyson

This could dovetail w/Dyson's ideas:

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From: "PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 10:58:03

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Dyson

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She wanted to see whether you or I would be willing to organize (with no fanfare) a meeting of about 5-7 people from various regions of the state to discuss issues of foster care, sexual assault & molestation, etc. in the village and to talk about strategies for addressing it. She believes strongly that the 3-5 people meeting should be Alaska Natives and that a facilitator for the meeting would be helpful.

Perhaps the concerns addressed by Privileged or I could dovetail with whatever your staff writes to address Sen. Dyson's request for the Alaska Native Commission.

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wed 2/20/2008 9:44 AM

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Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Monegan, Walt C (DPS); Notti, Emil R (CED); Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV); Todd; Colberg, Talis J (LAW)

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Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Ruaro; Randall P (GOV)
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Talis says Dyson is known for writing scathing reprimands to admin. He did the same thing to Murkowski's folks - but his Native Commission idea is still good. Just fyi.

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From: frank bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 10:58:37

To:Janice Mason <janice.mason@alaska.gov>, "Rhonda \(GOV\) McBride" <rhonda.mcbride@alaska.gov>, Sean Personal <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Cc:gov.sarah@yahoo.com, kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us

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Subject: FW: News from TravelAlaska.com - February 2008

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From: Daniel Berry [mailto:bigdabber@hotmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:50 AM

To: chief justice; Dave shaner; Donna Lee; evelyn berry; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); George Bush; Jen Berry; JoAnn Barker; Marlene; paul Hollenback; Robert M. (Mike) Duncan; wayne sosin

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Yesterday, Today, TomorrowDaniel A. Berry

> To: bigdabber@hotmail.com

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> From: myalaska@alaskatia.org

> Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 00:51:43 -0800

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> It will be a few months before spring arrives in Alaska, but locals aren't sweating it (so to speak). March brings some of the state's most exciting events, like the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race and the World Ice Art Championships, to name a few. As the countdown to the summer season begins, there's a lot to look forward to in the summer of 2008.

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> New ports, new ships

> With the number of cruise passengers to Alaska rising steadily since
> 2002, it's no surprise there are a few new ships in the water.
> Princess Cruises adds an eighth ship to its fleet this year, which
> will run a new extended route including calls in Kodiak, Valdez and
> Seward. Kodiak and Valdez have had cruise ships call in the past, but
> neither were on 2007 itineraries, and both offer cultural and
> recreational highlights that set them apart from other ports. Kodiak
> has a strong Russian cultural influence, and the oft-repeated
> description of Valdez as "Little Switzerland" only begins to convey i
> ts stunning natural setting. Silversea Cruises will bring the Silver
> Shadow, an ultra-luxury cruise ship, back in 2008 and 2009, after a
> year off last year. And American Safari Cruises will introduce a new
> 36-guest yacht sailing on an Alaska itinerary this summer. For more
> information about cruising Alaska, visit TravelAlaska.com's cruising
> plages

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> Whistle stop service reaches the Chugach

> Alaska's Chugach National Forest is the nation's second-largest national forest and a source of endless recreational opportunities. Now, the Alaska Railroad is making it even easier to access through a new-in-2008 service designed to bring guests to the heart of the forest. The Alaska Railroad is laying the groundwork for a series of five backcountry "whistle stop" stations to be built in the forest. The first, at Spencer Glacier, opened late last summer and includes a covered deboarding area, viewing area, established trails, guided hikes with Forest Service personnel and campsites. The remaining four stations will be built over the next few years and the trail system will be developed to connect some of the stations. This will give visitors access to Alaska's backcountry without the hassle of packing in equipment or securing permits independently. For more information about rail travel in Alaska, go to TravelAlaska.com's rail plages %20ac8cb79756a1f0f57638ae0a6&iid=4477&taf=0&direct=1467&issue=4877>.

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> Other new developments in Alaska

> Throughout the state, new facilities and attractions are being introduced to better serve visitors. Here's a look at what 2008 will bring for Alaska visitors:

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> * Late summer 2008 will see the opening of the Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center. The new 35,000-square foot center will provide visitor information and trip planning services; showcase the local Athabascan culture; house interpretive exhibits and a theater; and act as a community-gathering place.

> * In Denali National Park, a completely renovated Eielson Visitor Center will open for the first time since 2004. The National Park Service hopes the center will be the first building in Alaska and in the national park system to be certified platinum under the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program.

> *   In 2008, after two years of exploratory work, birding tours in Southwest Alaska will begin in June. Packages can be booked through Wilderness Birding Adventures or Kuskokwim Wilderness Adventures.

> *   For hikers in the Matanuska-Susitna Valley, Meekin's Air Service and Alaska Wilderness Trails will team up to offer backpacking tours in the Sheep Mountain area.

> *   Within the Wild, a Southcentral Alaska-based company, will offer female travelers a new "Women in the Wilderness" fly-fishing trip option.

> *   Alaska Park Connection, a motorcoach bus service, will introduce daily service between Fairbanks and Denali National Park. Schedules and rates are available online at AlaskaCoach.com.

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From: Mary Becker [jmbecker@gci.net]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 6:36 PM

To: Janet.Potter@usdoj.gov

Cc: thenderson@coeur.com; dkerr@coeur.com; Gary.Droubay@Goldbelt.com; pgriffin@fs.fed.us; Johnson.Stephen@epa.gov; Susan.L.Murphy@usace.army.mil; Kevin.J.Wilson@usace.army.mil; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Hartig; Lawrence L (DEC); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Kate_Williams@stevens.senate.gov; Nathan_Bergerbest@murkowski.senate.gov; Kevin.V.Kennedy@mail.house.gov; Connie_McKenzie@stevens.senate.gov

Subject: Becker Letter for Solicitor General Feb 20081.doc

February 19, 2008

The Honorable Paul D. Clement
Solicitor General of the United States
Office of the Solicitor General
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Re: Southeast Alaska Conservation Council et al. v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Dear Solicitor General Clement:

I have been an Alaska Commercial Fisherman for over 40 years. During that time I have always been involved in the broad array of issues that could have an impact on the clean water and habitat that is vital to the health of my industry. Such is the case of the Kensington Mine located near one of our very successful salmon fisheries in Lynn Canal.

For nearly 20-years other Southeast Alaska Gillnetters and I have followed Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt in their efforts to open the Kensington Gold Mine and build a dock at Cascade Point. They have frequently requested our input to insure that the developments would have no impact on a valuable fishery. Our communications have been productive and resulted in a mutually acceptable project that was permitted by all the agencies in July 2005.

It was important that during construction, Coeur Alaska hired and contracted locally. In fact, over 50% of a plus 380 person work force was Native-affiliated. Unfortunately, those year-round, high paying jobs were halted by the injunction.

We ask that you join Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt Inc. and urge the Supreme Court to review the decision of the Ninth Circuit Court in which SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation, and the Sierra Club sued the agencies for granting 404 permits to Coeur Alaska and Goldbelt. It is our opinion that the agencies were correct in issuing these permits and that the Ninth Circuit Court has made a questionable reading of the Clean Water Act in this case.

The decision by the Ninth Circuit Court vacating Goldbelt's 404 permit is a gross injustice to the intent of Congress when it enacted the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act providing these lands to Goldbelt with the intent that they be used for economic development and betterment of Goldbelt's stockholders. It is disappointing that SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation and the Sierra Club are using this lawsuit to block Goldbelt's ability to develop its land in an environmentally responsible manner.

Sincerely,

Jim Becker
P.O. Box 240522
Douglas,AK 99824
jmbecker@gci.net
(907) 586-1900

CC:
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Dennis Wheeler, Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp.
Gary Droubay, Goldbelt Inc.
Pete Griffin, U.S. Forest Service
Mr. Stephen L. Johnson, U.S. EPA
Lieutenant General Robert L. Van Antwerp, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
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To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Fw: SB 160--fyi

Importance: High

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From: "Jackson, Karleen K (HSS)" <karleen.jackson@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 09:41:37

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc:"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>,"Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>

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Governor - You may already have this info, but here's the message I forwarded to Russ, Anna, and Mike T. on this earlier.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Karleen K (HSS)

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:25 AM

To: Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Kim, Anna C (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Streur, William J (HSS); Hill, Sherry (HSS)

Subject: RE: SB 160--fyi

Importance: High

These are the statements DHSS has been making about SB160 since it was introduced last year:

DHSS supports the underlying premise of SB160 - health care for all Alaskan. However, health insurance and access to actual health care are not the same thing and SB160 may not necessarily achieve the goal of health care for all Alaskans. Because DHSS lacks the actuarial expertise and data to comprehensively analyze SB160, we can only speak to support for the goal of health care for all Alaskans.

Bill Streur is passionate about achieving health care for all Alaskans. That's what he spoke to in his testimony yesterday. When he was asked for his personal opinion about SB160 based on his past experience and knowledge of health care issues, he was clear in stating that he was not speaking from a department or administration position.

When the press release reported "the department has recently formulated a position on the legislation", it sounded as though our position has changed. It has not.

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Please let us know how you'd like us to proceed with clarification on this issue.

Karleen

Unknown

From: Guay, Gerald A (DEC) [gerry.guay@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:57 AM
To: Kreitzer; Annette E (DOA); Palin; Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: Contract negotiations

We just had another Department employee leave the state , the fifth or sixth that I know of in the last 3 months. They left because the state no longer values its workers or pays them fairly. You have the power to be fair or take responsibility for the loss of many well qualified employees. Your decisions in the next couple of weeks may very well determine if the state has qualified employees to support the development of a gas pipeline. You seem to feel that your workers will continue to work for nothing and will not strike to get a fair contract. You also seem to believe you can replace technical expertise with less than qualified staff ..... as a supervisor I call that " constant training not productivity .... Either way the state pays thru the nose.

This is what a recently departed employee said when I told them what the status of these negotiations was:

"No, my pay is about 67% more than when I worked for the state, and about 125% more when adjust for cost of living. I also like the job—something new every day, and I'm responsible for all environmental and safety programs.

5 ½-3-3 isn't what we were hoping for, but it's a step up. It's a wash if you have to work a 40-hour week though—just more work at about the same rate of pay. Nothing near competitive."

Unknown

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 8:14 AM
To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: Elections

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2008 8:59 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Ms. Laura Gibson

address: 1451W. Clayton Dayton TX 77535

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin,

I have been combing through US Governors and Legislators searching for a good fit for John McCain's VP. I think you are it! I love your pro-life stand, economic conservatism, (loved what you did with the plane!), equal rights for gays without sanctioning their agenda, congeniality win, and I suppose youth and beauty doesn't hurt either. I think we will see more of you in the future. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

Laura Gibson

bollweevil51@yahoo.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 7:59 AM
To: nelsonphotographic@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2008 11:21 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Jeff Nelson

address: PMB 467 1120 Huffman Rd. suite 24 Anchorage AK 99515

9073508565

MESSAGE:

Dear Gov. Palin

I am truly amazed by the foresight of such leaders that had the audacity to believe in something bigger than themselves and to forgo public scrutiny & ridicule that came upon them for setting in motion the "Vision" that has helped secure the future of Alaska. I write this with pride overflowing as I ponder the many champions that have continued this great vision, and as we near the 50th year of statehood I feel compelled to thank God for blessing this Great Land, and with the hope and expectation for execptional leaders, like you, to continue the vision into the future.

P.S. Kinda sappy, but thats the way I see it.

Thanks for your integity an exceptional leadership.

Jeff Nelson

nelsonphotographic@yahoo.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 7:45 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Feb 28/29

I'll have kids' appointments and Valley school events those two days, so I may have to consolidate the Anchorage events - I'll go through all that today and let you know.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

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From:	Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent:	Wednesday, February 20, 2008 7:24 AM
To:	'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc:	Leschper; Beth (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject:	Re: Nga

Joel Southern from APRN has also requested any interview with you in D.C.

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Sent: Wed Feb 20 07:12:58 2008

Subject: Nga

Nat res speech- how much time for my intro? What's the expectation on the panel participation?

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From: Neil MacKinnon [nmackinnon@acsalaska.net]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 2:03 PM

To: Janet.Potter@usdoj.gov

Cc: thenderson@coeur.com; dkerr@coeur.com; Gary.Droubay@Goldbelt.com; pgriffin@fs.fed.us; Johnson.Stephen@epa.gov; Susan.L.Murphy@usace.army.mil; Kevin.J.Wilson@usace.army.mil; Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored); Hartig; Lawrence L (DEC); Balash; Joseph R (GOV); Kate_Williams@stevens.senate.gov; Nathan_Bergerbest@murkowski.senate.gov; Kevin.V.Kennedy@mail.house.gov; Connie_McKenzie@stevens.senate.gov

Subject: SEACC et al. v. U.S, COE 06-35679

First things First
P.O. Box 240651
Douglas, AK 99824

The Honorable Paul D. Clement
Solicitor General of the United States
Office of the Solicitor General
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

February 20, 2008

Dear Solicitor General Clement:

On behalf of First Things First, Inc., I urge you to file a petition for writ of certiorari in the case of SEACC et al. v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers et al, Case No. 06-35679 (9th Circuit, May 22, 2007) asking that the Supreme Court review the decision of the Ninth Circuit Court.

Most of us have carefully followed the historic Kensington Gold Mine, from concept through construction and maintain that the agencies were correct in issuing these permits. Further, we believe the Ninth Circuit Court has made an erroneous reading of the Clean Water Act in this case. If the decision of the Ninth Circuit stands, the negative impact on mining could make permitting any project in Alaska, practicably impossible.

We also believe the decision by the Ninth Circuit Court vacating Goldbelt's 404 permit is a gross injustice to the intent of Congress when it enacted the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act providing these lands to Goldbelt with the intent that they be used for economic development and betterment of Goldbelt's stockholders. It is egregious that SEACC, Lynn Canal Conservation and the Sierra Club are using this lawsuit to block Goldbelt's ability to develop its

land in an environmentally responsible manner.

The Kensington is vital to sustaining the economy of this region and reversing the decline in population and living standards that Southeast Alaska has been experiencing. To us, the anticipated 200 year-round, well paying jobs and the infusion of $16 million per year in payroll is a golden opportunity.

Once again, please join in seeking the Supreme Court's review of the Ninth Circuit's erroneous decision.

Sincerely,

Neil MacKinnon, Secretary/Treasurer

CC:

Tom Henderson, Coeur Alaska
Dennis Wheeler, Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp.
Gary Droubay, Goldbelt Inc.
Pete Griffin, U.S. Forest Service
Mr. Stephen L. Johnson, U.S. EPA
Lieutenant General Robert L. Van Antwerp, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Colonel Wilson, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Governor Sarah Palin, State of Alaska
Larry Hartig, Commissioner, ADEC
Joe Balash, Special Staff Assistant to Governor Palin
Sen. Ted Stevens
Sen. Lisa Murkowski
Congressman Don Young
Connie MacKenzie, Alaska Congressional Delegation

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From: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 11:39 AM

To: Sarah Palin

Subject: FW: this weekend...

Good work on the McCain side of the equation with the ANWR question.
Also, please see if you can get him talking up Alaska natural gas--it's a clean fuel

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:43 AM
To: Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
Subject: FW: AKSCA eCommunique February 2008

From: AKSCA eCommunique [mailto:brooke.zegstroo@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 9:51 AM
To: Palin, Sarah H (GOV)
Subject: AKSCA eCommunique February 2008

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Alaska State Council on the Arts -- E-Newsletter

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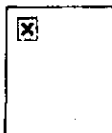
Mission
The Alaska State Council on the Arts exists to
development in the state by ensuring that art of t
accessible to all Alaskans.

A Note From Charlotte
I recently had the opportunity to visit Cordova. Th
opening of our Art Bank Exhibit "Alaska Masterpiec
Contemporary Art" at the Ilanka Cultural Center .
happened to coincide with the Ice Worm Festival,
to say I'd never attended.

If you live in Anchorage and haven't been to Cordc
there soon. Now that the fast ferry Chenega travel
Friday evenings during the summer and returns on
there's really no excuse for us big city folks not to
wonderful, warm town and, like so many Alaskan c
talented artists, a great book store, historical muse
culture center. What else does an Alaskan need? O
people fish a little there, as well.

CALL FOR PANELISTS: *Would you like to serve on*
panel? The panel dates this year are April 21-22-2
interested in serving on a grant panel, have experi
organizations and are available during that time, p
email (charlotte.fox@alaska.gov). I will send you

There are changes happening at ASCA that I want
You'll be hearing more about this as time passes,
public meetings in the larger communities. Some c

PHOTOS FROM THE WEARABLE ARTS SHOW (by Community):
For more photos, click here

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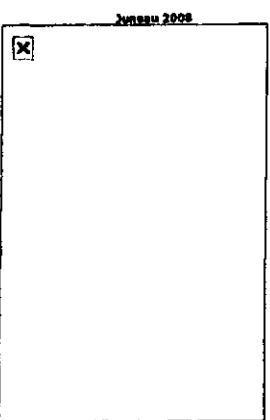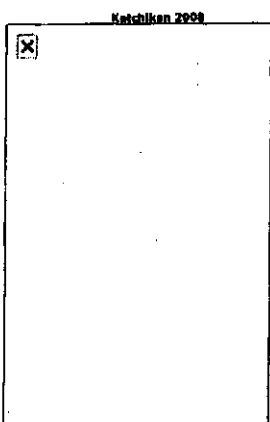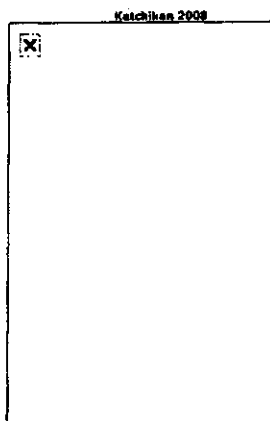
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be regulatory and some are new procedures that we will be implementing. Here are just a few of the changes recently passed by the Council:

To be implemented for the 2010 Grant Cycle (January, 2009)

- One, two day, panel for Operating Support grants (OSB and OSA)
- Day 1: Presentation by applicant via teleconference or in person, 5 minute and panel questions (10 mins). Look at supplemental information;
- Day 2: Panel deliberation;
- Ceiling on grants: Maximum: $21,000. Minimum: $3,000;
- Regulations will be passed by that time, expanding biennial grants to triennials;
- Biennial (triennial) minimum annual budget to be raised to $150,000;

New Category: Community Arts Projects;

- Project grants will merge with Community Arts Grant;
- First deadline: March 1, 2009. Quarterly grants;
- Staff recommended – no panel. Floor – none: ceiling - $4,000
- Criteria: same as CAD/Project grants. Same eligibility. (need review of regs)

New Category: "Major Organization"

- Budgets above $500,000; Required to be on triennial cycle (3 years). Requirement: annual audit and personal visit with Council during their second year.
- Long range goal: To enable major organizations to make annual, stable funding predictions.
- Step One: Make 2 year grant with in depth final report trigger for funding. (August 2008)
- Step Two: Make three year grant (online for January 1, 2009)
- Step Three: Have final report each year trigger funding for next year. Funding would remain stable. (August, 2010)

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ASCA March 1st Deadlines

-American/Alaskan Masterpieces Grant
-Annual Operating Support Grant
-Annual Project Grant
-AIE: Arts Educators Grant

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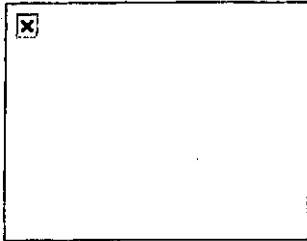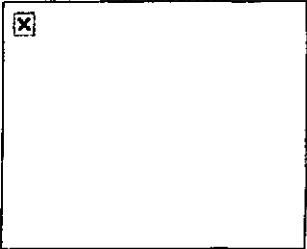
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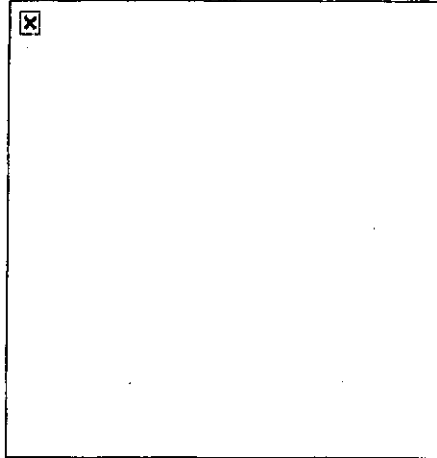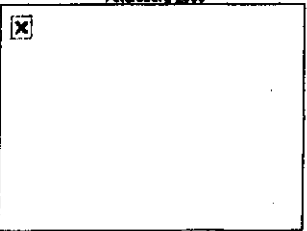
Upcoming ASCA Meetings:

March 28: Council quarterly meeting in Anchorage. For more information, call ASCA at 1.888.278.7424 or 907.269.6610.

STATEWIDE ARTS CONFERENCE! ASCA will be hosting a statewide arts conference January 28-30, 2009 at the Captain Cook Hotel in Anchorage. SAVE THE DATE! PUT IT IN YOUR BUDGET!

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Organization Grant Opportunities

The Rasmuson Foundation, together with the Alaska Humanities Forum, present " ALASKA 'S STATEHOOD EXPERIENCE GRANT PROGRAM". **Grants are due May 15, 2008.** Grant program guidelines and applications are at: www.akhf.org

Challenge America : Reaching Every Community Fast Track (CAFT) offers support primarily to small and mid – sized organizations for projects that extend the reach of the arts to undeserved populations.
Deadline: June 2, 2008.

For more information (and for projects starting after January 1, 2009, Grants up to $10,000) **contact:**
Erin Jenkins Waylor, NEA
Email: waylore@arts.endow.govWeb: www.arts.gov
Deadline: June 2, 2008

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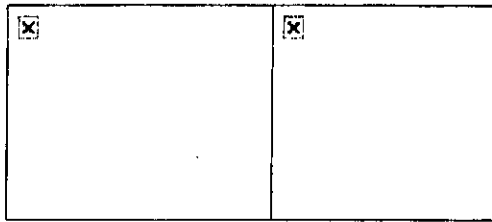
Sitka Summer Fine Arts Camp Receives National Coming Up Taller Award

The Sitka Fine Arts Camp recently was chosen as one of the 15 organizations nationwide to receive the Coming Up Taller Award. Roger Schmidt, Executive Director of Alaska Arts Southeast, was presented the award last month in a ceremony with First Lady Laura Bush. The Sitka Fine Arts Camp also received $10,000.00 from the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities.

The Coming Up Taller Awards recognize and support outstanding community arts and humanities programs that celebrate the creativity of America 's young people, provide them learning opportunities and chances to contribute to their communities. These awards focus national attention on exemplary programs currently fostering the creative and intellectual development of America 's children and youth through education and practical experience in the arts and the humanities.

Skagway Artist Receives National Recognition at theWhite House
Eve Griffin was one of 347 artists selected nationwide to create an ornament honoring the National Park Service for the 2007 White House Christmas tree.

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Art Administration Opportunities
POSITION OPENING: Executive Director of the Fairbanks Concert Association. **Deadline to apply: February 22, 2008.** For more information, contact the FCA at concert@acsalaska.net
Click here for more details

Artist Opportunities

Creative Capital artist project grants are available now in emerging fields, innovative literature, performing arts at
www.creative-capital.org
Deadline is March 4, 2008

Permanent faculty- Alberta, Canada. The photography program is seeking a full time faculty member.
Deadline: February 23, 2008
Contact: Mitch Kern (403) 338-5520
Click here for more information

Astraea Visual Arts Fund
Deadline: March 3, 2008 (Monday)
Contact: (212)529-8021
Email: grants@astraeafoundation.org
Website: www.astraeafoundation.org

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Call for Art Opportunities
UAF Percent for Art- West Ridge Building RFP
Deadline: March 1, 2008
www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca

City of Homer supports Public Art Call for Artists and Public Art Workshop. **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**- January 11, 2008–The City of Homer's Public Arts Committee will be issuing a request for proposals (RFP) to incorporate art into the proposed City Hall and Town Plaza. The RFP will be available at the City Hall Clerk's office January 18, 2008. Interested artists can call 235-8121 ext. 2222 to receive a copy. Preliminary concepts are due back to the city by **February 23, 2008.**
Contact: Hope Finkelstein, (907) 235-4288
hope@homerart.org

Art to Wear Fashion Show: From Tip to Toe
Deadline: March 28, 2008 (Friday) 5 pm
For more information contact:
Lean Bartos
Tel: 907-225-9296
Email: leanb@kpunet.net
OR

Jackie Kelzer
Tel: 907-225-8848
Email: jackiekelzer@yahoo.com

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Exhibition opportunity concerning climate change:
An Art & Science Collaboration will open in April 2008 at the Pratt Museum in Homer, AK.
Deadline: February 19, 2008
Contact: Ryjil Christianson, (907) 235-8635 or rchristianson@prattmuseum.org
Click here for more information

Alaska State Museum Announces Statewide Photographic Competition
The Alaska State Museum is seeking entries from photographers statewide for *Alaska Positive 2008*, the museum's biennial exhibition of Alaska photography.
Deadline: April 9, 2008
Contact: Bob Banghart, (907) 465-2976
http://www.museums.state.ak.us

Fairbanks Theater Groups Want 10 minute Plays For 8X10 Festival
Deadline: March 15, 2008
Contact: Peggy Ferguson, (907) 456- PLAY
peggyferguson@gci.net
Click here for more information

The Alaska Botanical Garden Art Show and Sale is looking for sculpture, mosaics, gates, kinetic pieces for inclusion in the outdoor exhibit and sale. Work must be durable with a retail value of over $300. 30% of purchase price is donation to Alaska Botanical Garden. Send up to three visuals to gregiyall@gci.net
Deadline: April 18, 2008.

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Eastern Nebraska Veteran's Home: 1% Project
Public Art Prospectus- RFP & Direct Purchase Call
Deadline: February 27, 2008
Contact: J. D. Hutton, (402) 595-2142
Click here for more information

Public Art Prospectus- RFQ and Direct Purchase Call- A Nebraska One percent for Art project, Peru State College, Peru, NE
Deadline: March 14,2008
Contact: J. D. Hutton, (402) 595-2142
Click here for more information

Public Art, HSC Amarillo Campus, Texas Tech University- RFQ
Deadline: February 21, 2008
Contact: Debbie Griffin (806) 742-2116More information here
National Outdoor Sculpture competition & exhibition, City of North Charleston Riverfront Park
Deadline: March 7, 2008
Click here for more information

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Outdoor Temporary Sculpture Exhibition for Roanoke, Virginia's Arts Festival in October 2008 running through April 2010.
Deadline: March 7, 2008
Contact: Susan Jennings (540) 342-5790
Click here for more information

The Main Street Gallery in Groton, N. Y. Exhibition prospectus
2008 National small art quilt works
Deadline: June 7, 2008
Click here for detailed information

All Kids Can Create! National Call for Art-VSA Arts
Exhibition in Washington, D.C.
Open to all children ages 5-15
Deadline March 14, 2008
For more information, please visit: www.vsarts.org

Munch & Music July 10- August 14,2008
Bend Memorial Clinic
Presented by: The Bulletin and
PacificSource Health Plans
Deadline: July 2, 2008
Contact: Lisa Hamel, (541) 647-7800
Additional information on their website at:
www.c3events.com

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NEA Dance Grants Available
American Masterpieces Dance grants are now available from the NEA, administered by the New England Federation for the Arts in two areas:

1. Reconstruction Grants: for the reconstruction or restaging of American Dance works that are artistically, historically and culturally significant. Application is due **March 3, 2008.**

For producing dance organizations there are also grants available in the National Dance Project.

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Arts in Education
Sitka Fine Arts Camp
Registration Opens January 1, click here for more information

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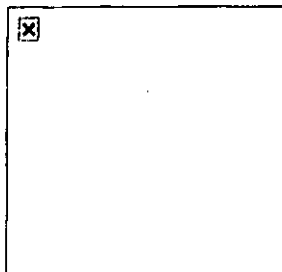
Arts Educator Award Grant Applications Available

The Alaska State Council on the Arts, in partnership with the Rasmuson Foundation, is pleased to announce the availability of applications for the Arts Educator Grant. There are two deadlines for this grant: **December 1, 2007** and **March 1, 2008**. This is a postmark deadline.

This grant is designed to encourage the reconnection of art teachers to the practice of their art. Four awards, each up to $3,000, are available for K-12 arts educators whose primary responsibility is arts instruction, teaching a minimum of three years and permanently assigned full or part time in an Alaskan school.

Applications and guidelines are available at:
www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca under Arts Education. For more information about this grant, please contact the Alaska State Council

on the Arts' Arts Education office at (907) 269-6682, or toll-free in Alaska at 1-888-278-7424.
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The Alaska Contemporary Art Bank
Check out the Art Bank on the Web
The ASCA web site has a link to the Contemporary Art Bank, where you can view a good selection of art available through the program. In an effort to make the Art Bank more accessible to all our borrowers, the images will be updated regularly so that generally the work posted is work that is available for loan. The selections posted are representative of the collection as whole, with a variety of images, mediums and sizes. So even if you don't initially see something you like, check back as we hope to update the images monthly.

The web site also has information on who is eligible for the program and how to contact the Art Bank.

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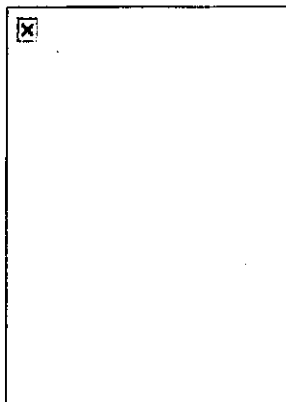
Artwork of the Month:

Untitled Doll, by Rosalie Paniyak
This doll was purchased by the Arts Council from master Cup'ik doll maker Rosalie Paniyak of Chevak in 1985. Rosalie passed away this past December (www.adn.com/rural/story/246521.html) and her widely recognized, distinctive and humorous dolls are well loved among collectors. Rosalie often included stories about who the doll was, and their activities with the doll. Her note on this one states: 'went out to check his black fish trap after he made his sled. He made a little sled because he has a little stomach. He watches his sled while pushing. When he catches seal he cuts them in half and leaves the other half and goes back to pick up the other half the next day. This man is a great hunter. Because he is a great hunter he has a seal coat and he never gets cold. He sneezes 'ahh-choo'after he chews tobacco." This doll has just returned from a state-wide exhibit "American Masterpieces: Art for Alaskans" and is currently available for loan to state offices and agencies public spaces under the Alaska Contemporary Art Bank program.

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www.eed.state.ak.us/aksca

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From: Ruaro, Randall P (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RPRUARO]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 2:08 PM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Aniak

Governor:

The latest report on the situation in Aniak.

Randy

From: Byrne, Cassandra M (DPS)
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:58 PM
To: McBride, Rhonda (GOV); Ruaro, Randall P (GOV)
Cc: Monegan, Walt C (DPS); Glass, John D (DPS); Holloway, Audie E (DPS); Rice, Lauren (DPS)
Subject: Re: Aniak

Good afternoon,

Commissioner Monegan is enroute back to Anchorage and has asked me to forward some information to you re: Aniak situation which he received a short time ago:

"Lt Mcdonald is landing in Aniak as we speak and will attend this meeting and start gathering information before the meeting. He has assured me that he will email us in the morning on how things went. I just don't see that this will be anything more then a few folks venting personal issues using their positions on a council. This will backfire on them as it looks now. The 6 topic's are poorly written and documented. Frankly one of the complaints is a positive reaction to a call for service when a grandmother called about her concern of children at another family's residence. According to Trp Spencer, Sgt. Sheets so happened to be watching a PT that night and received the call. He called the Carl Morgan residence to see if things were OK there, since he couldn't leave because of the Prisoner's."

We will continue to forward significant updates to you as they are received.

Thank you,

Cassandra Byrne
Executive Secretary
Department of Public Safety
Office of the Commissioner

Phone: 907.269.5086
Fax: 907.269.4543
Email: cassandra.byrne@alaska.gov

"Public Safety through Public Service"

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:51 AM

To: 'Todd'

Cc: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: First Dude's helmet

Todd -

What do you think?!

From: Wilkinson, Gregory J (HSS)
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:48 AM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Glaser, Gordon M (HSS); Hull-Jilly, Deborah C (HSS)
Subject: First Dude's helmet

Sharon,
Our Injury Prevention people wanted to know if Todd Palin was wearing his helmet when he wrecked his machine during the Iron Dog, and if so, if he'd be interested in doing a press event or PSA talking about how the helmet helped save his head and encouraging others to wear helmets.
Can you run this by the right folks for us and let me know?
Thanks,
Greg

Note: new email address
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Alaska Department of Health and Social Services
Division of Public Health
3601 C Street, Suite 902
Anchorage, AK 99503
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(907) 334-2671 FAX
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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:08 AM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: Dyson

Dear Governor Palin,
I just received your email regarding a referenced scathing email from Sen. Dyson on a Native Elders Roundtable. I believe he is basing that concept on the 1994 Natives Commission Task Force. I'm not sure what the outcome of that was, however, I think he liked the concept.
I would note that Sen. Dyson has been the source of several communications that have an edge over the last year. I found an old set of files here including a letter to AG Renkes from Dyson in June of 2003 which started as follows:

"Dear Greg, I gave you the following questions /issues to help us with and I have not heard from you in four months. Have you forgotten or are you ignoring these issues and me or do you not give a rip or has Frank got you too busy with his stuff? If you can't or won't help me, please suggest someone who can or cares. ..." on and on

My point would be that I think he has been writing scathing letters to the executive branch for years as almost a form of sport. Talis

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From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=AEKREITZER]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 6:01 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject: error in earlier email

Governor:
Sorry - the number below should be **$8.6 billion.** I guess I got carried away: a billion here, a billion there...
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From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)
Sent: Tuesday, February 19, 2008 1:10 PM
To: ExternalEmailgsp; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Leschper, Beth (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Jackson, Karleen K (HSS); PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)
Subject: RE: CSPAN - D.C.

Governor:
I'm happy to assist anyway I can (talking points attached). As an employer, the State must protect the financial soundness of a plan where we have a **$10.6 billion unfunded liability** (PERS/TRS). Much of this driven by increased health care costs. However, when as an employer we can invest $1 in preventive care and receive $4 in benefit by the avoidance of potential illness - that's a good investment.
I understand your position that the State, as government - not employer - should allow private companies to decide within their member pools whether this makes sense for them or not.

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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 1:17 PM

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:03 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: Annette E (DOA) Kreitzer; Beth C (GOV) Leschper; Michael Tibbles; Mike Nizich; Janice Mason; kris_perry@gov.state.ak.us
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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 10:59 AM

To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: CON op ed for your approval

For your review.

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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 11:34 AM

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Subject: deletes redundant sentence in 2nd graph

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From: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=KYPERRY]

Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:29 PM

To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)

Cc: 'Sarah Palin'

Subject: FW: Meeting with McCain

Janice – I spoke with Nick and they have arranged the following. If this doesn't work, let me know and I can get back in touch with him.

Governor – Nick also said that if you need anything (staff, arrangements, etc.) while you're down there, they are happy to assist in any way.

From: Christie Mueller [mailto:cmueller@RGA.ORG]
Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 12:12 PM
To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Meeting with McCain

Hi Kris-

Please have Governor Palin come to the Oval Suite at the Willard Hotel at 10am on Saturday, February 23rd. This will be after she attends the RGA Business Meeting from 8:00-9:30. Other governors will be attending this coffee hosted by Senator McCain, but Nick assures you that he will make sure Governor Palin has time to speak with the Senator.

Thanks,

Christie

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Sent: Wednesday, February 20, 2008 1:40 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Fw: this weekend...

I believe that Senator McCain has been supportive of, or at least not opposed to, the natural gas pipeline. He might be willing to say some good things about the state's efforts to commercialize North Slope natural gas, with the related national interest implications. That would be great but, of course, not a quid pro quo for his opposition to oil development in ANWR.

>>> On 2/20/2008 at 4:07 PM, in message <1198672791-1203541673-cardhu_decombobulator_blackberry.rim.net-2059174658-@bxe103.bisx.prod.on.blackberry>, <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:

> Fyi. We're hooking up with mcCain at NGA to speak on Ak issues.
> Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One
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> From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
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> Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 20:59:19
> To:"Nick Ayers" <NAyers@RGA.ORG>,"Rick Perry" <rperry08@RGA.ORG>
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> That would be great. Kris Perry can help on my end with scheduling a time.
> Thanks!
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> From: Nick Ayers <NAyers@RGA.ORG>
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> Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 15:55:39
> To:Governor Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>,Rick Perry <rperry08@RGA.ORG>
> Cc:Kris Perry <kris.perry@alaska.gov>
> Subject: Re: this weekend...
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> The Senator indicated to me that he wants to spend as much one on one time as possible discussing issues with Governors this weekend. If you like, I'm happy to set this up.

Look forward to seeing you Governor.

On 2/20/08 3:27 PM, "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:

Rick/Nick: I'll be there.

And is there any possibility I could hear from McCain on Alaska's resource development issues? (ie. why is he opposed to ANWR oil drilling, why is he hooked up with Lieberman on a few anti-development initiatives?)

If anyone can help me hear from him on that, our state would appreciate it. I'll have a tough time explaining my support for him until I can say I spoke with him about my concerns re: any pro-environmental stands he's taking that could hurt Alaska.
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-----Original Message-----
From: "Rick Perry" <rperry08@RGA.ORG>

Date: Wed, 20 Feb 2008 14:12:53
Cc:"Nick Ayers" <NAyers@RGA.ORG>
Subject: this weekend...

Governors,

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you this weekend. I know how tightly these weekends are scheduled, but I wanted to make sure all of you were aware of a gracious invitation we just received from John McCain. He is hosting a governors and spouses only reception at the Willard prior to the Statesman dinner on Saturday night where he is our special guest. I know your RGA briefings have already gone out, which is why I wanted to personally highlight this addition and ask you to attend. The reception will be at 6:15pm. I'll be sure RGA gets your schedulers more information on this.

The other ask I have of you is to stay in Washington for the Gala on Monday night. It is President Bush's last RGA dinner and we will all be sitting on the stage as he delivers his remarks. Over the years the President has been a great friend to RGA and he was active as a governor so I want to make sure we are all there to express our appreciation to him. Another important reason we need you to attend is this is our biggest fundraiser of the year for RGA.

I hope you will consider these two requests. See you soon.

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Right on! It looks as if Senator McCain will be the presidential candidate of our party, but I can't think of many Alaska issues where he has been supportive over the years.

We have made a concerted effort to reach him on ANWR but to no avail. While I understand his concern about the congressional earmarking process, it sometimes appears that he is singling out Alaska for special treatment.

I think that the Republican Governor's Association will be responsive to your request. If not, we may have other ways to contact Senator McCain. For whatever it's worth, I agree with your premise that there needs to be some dialog between you and him before he can expect public support. I don't know that we will change his mind, but at least you may be able to develop a relationship that will inure to Alaska's benefit later on.

ps: I sure hope that, next year, we can maintain the votes necessary in the Senate to sustain or threaten a filibuster on issues, such as ANWR wilderness legislation, that are inimical to Alaska's interests, because none of the current candidates for President seems to be empathic.

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